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SUBJECT: SENEGALESE PRESS PUBLICIZES US MERCENARY PRESENCE  
IN RHODESIA

ARTICLE CREDITED TO AFP ON FRONT PAGE OF MARCH 10 DAKAR DAILY  
LE SOLEIL CARRIES CAPTION "US MERCENARIES AGAINST NATIONALISTS."  
ITEM QUOTES SPOKESMAN FOR EMBASSY LUSAKA AS HAVING CONFIRMED  
THAT AMERICAN MERCENARIES WERE FIGHTING RHODESIAN NATIONAL-  
LISTS, WHILE DENYING CUBAN PRESS AGENCY ALLEGATION THAT THEY  
NUMBERED 400. ARTICLE INCLUDES SPOKESMAN'S EXPLANATION THAT  
RECRUITMENT OF MERCENARIES IN US WAS ILLEGAL, AND RELATES  
STORY OF DISILLUSIONED AMERICAN MERCENARY LAWRENCE MEYERS,  
FORMERLY IN RHODESIA, WHO HAS REPORTEDLY ACCUSED COMMANDER OF  
RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CENTER OF HAVING RECOMMENDED HIM FOR  
RHODESIAN ARMY.  
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